

HOWARD COUNTY

**Building Permit Fee Schedule
Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits
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Howard County Council Resolution #62-2017

Effective July 1, 2017

New Construction or Addition to Existing Building-Filing Fee Required

Residential single family per new gross square foot	\$0.18
Multi-family and other new construction or additions to buildings, per new gross square foot.....	\$0.22
(Excise tax \$0.60/\$1.18 and a school facilities surcharge of \$1.29 per occupiable square foot may also apply) (\$50 guaranty fund fee collected on all new residential home permit applications)	

Commercial Expedited Review per new gross square foot

Up to 2,500 square feet	\$550
2,501 to 5,000 square feet	\$1,100
For review of projects over 5,000 square feet the fee shall be \$550 for each additional 2,500 square feet of area of fraction thereof	

FILING FEE, IN ADDITION TO THE PERMIT FEE AND FOUNDATION FEE

(FILING FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE AND ARE PAYABLE AT THE TIME AN APPLICATION IS MADE FOR A PERMIT)

New residential construction	\$100
Additions to residential construction	\$25
Commercial construction & additions	\$200

Foundation Permit

Requires prior approval, payment of all applicable fees associated with the building permit and payment of water/sewer utility fees.....\$200 plus filing fee

**Alterations & Repairs to Attached and Detached Single Family Dwellings
(Use Group R-3 & R-4 per Section 310 of the International Building Code)-Filing Fee Required**

Filing Fee (non refundable)	\$25
Single/small room or area (200 square feet or less)	\$50
More than single floor or area (over 200 square feet)	\$100

Manufactured Homes (Mobile Homes)-No Filing Fee Required

Relocation or new installation	\$50
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Tenant Improvements Other than Use Group R-3 (per Section 310 of the International Building Code)

First Occupancy for Each Tenant Space for a Shell Building-Filing Fee Required

Per Permit	\$250
Alterations to Previously Occupied Spaces	

Minor Alteration -Filing Fee Not Required. A minor alteration is the relocation, addition, or removal of non-bearing walls, partitions, windows and equipment, affecting an area less than 500 square feet.

Permit Fee	\$200
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Other than Minor Alteration-Filing Fee Required. To calculate the fee for a building permit for an alteration to a previously occupied space of 500 square feet or more, determine the square footage of the area to be altered and apply the following:

Per square foot	\$0.22
Filing Fee	\$200

Private Swimming Pools-No Filing Fee Required

Permit includes fence and grading

Above-ground pool	\$100
In-ground pool	\$250

Public Swimming Pools-No Filing Fee Required

Permit includes equipment and fences, but does not include grading or buildings

Above-ground pool	\$250
In-ground pool	\$250

Retaining Walls-No Filing Fee Required

No permit required for retaining walls 3 feet high or less

Retaining walls over 3 feet high	\$50
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Miscellaneous Structures Accessory to Attached and Detached Single Family Dwellings (Use Group R-3 per Section 310 of the International Building Code)-No Filing Fee Required

Miscellaneous residential structures include, but are not limited to:

arbor over 200 square feet	hot tubs (framing plans required)
stick antenna over 12 ft high	solar collector (roof or ground mounted)
chimney	dish antenna over 36 inches in diameter
fireplace	gazebo over 200 square feet
deck	residential bridge
wood stove	playhouse over 200 square feet
demolition	
tower	
fence over 6 feet high	
shed over 200 square feet and less than or equal to 400 square feet	
Per structure	\$50

Miscellaneous and Temporary Structures other than Use Group R-3-No Filing Fee Required

Miscellaneous structures other than residential include, but are not limited to the following:

satellite dish	antenna
arbor	tower
trellis	awning
detached kiosk	solar collector (roof or ground mounted)
loading dock	truck ramp
demolition	temporary construction/office trailer
fence over 6 feet high	temporary structures (including tents)
Per structure	\$100

Burning Permit-No Filing Fee Required \$25

Moving Permit-No Filing Fee Required

Moving a building (in addition to permit fees for the construction of the foundation and other associated work) \$125
Inspection of out-of-county structure \$150 per day
plus \$.35 per mile each way

Flammable or Combustible Liquid Storage Tank-No Filing Fee Required

Installation or removal, per tank \$100

Administration

Terms and Definitions

Terms and definitions in this fee schedule are defined in the Howard County Building Code.

Technology Fee

A 10% technology fee will be collected on all permits.

No Permit Fees Required

A permit is required but there shall be no permit fees for work on buildings and structures owned by the following groups or organizations: Howard County, Maryland; the Howard County Board of Education; the Howard Community College; the Howard County Fair Association; and an incorporated volunteer fire department.

Filing Fees

FILING FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE AND ARE PAYABLE AT THE TIME AN APPLICATION IS MADE FOR A PERMIT

Permit Fees

Permit fees are paid at the time of application for all permit types except:

1. New Construction or additions to an existing building;
2. Alterations and repairs to attached single family dwellings; and
3. Alterations to previously occupied spaces.

Transfer of a Permit Application or Permit

Requests to transfer a building or grading permit application for change of ownership or contractor shall contain written justification for the transfer.

Fee to transfer a permit application or permit \$50

Extension of a Permit Application or a Permit (Building & Grading)

Requests to extend a building or grading permit application or permit shall contain written justification for the extension.

Fee to extend a permit application or permit \$25 per each 90 day extension
(Sum of all extensions shall not exceed 1 year)

Residential Permit Revision

Applicable building, excise tax and school surcharge are assessed separately

If plans are not required \$25 per amendment
If plans are required \$50 per amendment

Commercial Permit Revision

Revisions initiated by applicant and not as a result of Howard County action. Applicable building

and excise tax are assessed separately.

Per revision..... \$200

Reinspection Fee

2 failures of the same inspection \$50

3 failures of the same inspection \$75

4 or more failures of the same inspection \$125

Inspection Outside Business Hours

Overtime fee for inspection outside business hours

1st hour \$75

Each additional hour or fraction of an hour \$50

Annual Master Building Permit (Miscellaneous Alterations and Additions)

Permit fee \$50

Inspections (billed quarterly)\$75 1st hour, \$50 each additional hour

Permit Fee For Work Commenced Without a Permit

Additional fee, in addition to permit fee, when work is begun without permit.\$75 per hour
\$100 min.

Verification Letters

Research request shall be in writing and fee paid at time of request\$100 per research address

Replacement Permit (Per Copy & Includes Placard).....\$25 per address

Multiple Plan Review

After 1st resubmittal. Fee applies to additional review. \$200